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Chapter 18: Christmas 2
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WOW
I'M SURPRISED <3
18 CHRISTMAS•2
YOU'VE REALLY CHANGED, NISHIKUBO-SAN!!
I'M OGAWA. DO YOU REMEMBER ME?
YUP, I REMEMBER YOU. WE WERE CLASSMATES IN 2ND YEAR, RIGHT?
OKAZAKI, TURN THAT MIC OFF!
ASAMI, ORDER A GLASS OF COLA.
Kaay
WHAT ABOUT YOU FUMI?
Pass the mic here next.
Ah
ICED TEA WOULD BE NICE.
Thanks
AWKWARD ...
Who chose this song?
Oh, me.

IT'S BEEN A WHILE, NINOMIYA-KUN.
HUH
YEAH, IT'S BEEN A WHILE.

ISN'T YOUR PHONE RINGING, NINOMIYA?
OH, YOU'RE RIGHT.
HELLO? WHAT IS IT?
WHAT?
SORRY, I CAN'T HEAR YOU WELL. HOLD ON FOR A SEC.

HUH? WHAT? YOU NEED ME TO BUY SOMETHING?
THAT'S RIGHT!!
SORRY, I'M GOING OUT FOR A BIT.
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OKAY. TAKE YOUR TIME.
...WELL, I DID SEE THAT COMING.
Auntie...
AUNTIE PLANNED TO MAKE CHEESE FONDUE THIS YEAR
BUT APPARENTLY SHE FORGOT TO BUY CHEESE!
GOT IT. CAN YOU ASK AUNTIE IF SHE NEEDS ANYTHING ELSE, THEN MAIL ME?
AKIRA AND I ARE PICKING UP THE CAKE WE ORDERED. STOP BY THE SUPERMARKET ON YOUR WAY HOME.
OKAY, BYE.
NINO-MIYA-KUN.

CAN WE TALK FOR A BIT?
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU FEEL AWKWARD.
NISHIKUBO, DID YOU COME HERE KNOWING I'M HERE?
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OF COURSE.
YOU CAME SO ASAMI TOLD ME.
...DON'T TELL ME, YOU HAD A RECENT PHOTO OF ME... BECAUSE OF IMAMURA?

I WAS SURPRISED ABOUT TODAY THOUGH BECAUSE I HAVEN'T TOLD HER I WAS REJECTED ALREADY.
Aha
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I'VE ALWAYS TALKED TO HER ABOUT MY ONE-SIDED LOVE. THAT'S WHY SHE'S HELPING ME WITH A LOT OF THINGS.
YUP, ASAMI TOOK IT FOR ME.
I got.chu fam!!
THOSE THINGS WILL END TODAY.
BUT DON'T WORRY.
IT'S SAD, BUT I'LL GIVE UP ON YOU.
FROM OUR CONVERSATION LAST TIME, I KNEW THAT IT CAN'T BE ME.

I CAME HERE TODAY TO TELL YOU THAT.
NISHI-KUBO ...
AH
STOP~ STOP MAKING THAT FACE!
I'VE GOTTEN OVER IT!
EH
I'M LIKE SUPER POPULAR.
I'LL FIND A BOYFRIEND IMMEDIATE -LY <3

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WERE YOU THAT KIND OF CHARACTER AGAIN?
You're in a high tension..
THAT'S RIGHT~
I'VE STOPPED PRETENDING IN FRONT OF YOU.

THERE'S NO POINT IN DOING YOUR BEST AND PRETENDING IF THE OTHER PERSON STILL WON'T LOOK YOUR WAY
EVEN AFTER BECOMING THIS CUTE, ISN'T THERE?
Your character...
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Hmph

I'LL FIND A WONDERFUL LOVE ON MY OWN.
SO YOU SHOULD TAKE A STEP FORWARD, TOO, NINOMIYA-KUN.
DO YOUR BEST SO IT GOES WELL WITH AKIRA-CHAN.
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WHAT ARE YOU FLUSTERED FOR?
WHAT A--
EH
HUH?!

IT'S AKIRA-CHAN, ISN'T IT?
THE PERSON YOU LIKE.
I'LL TAKE YOUR SILENCE AS A YES.
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I don't need to answer that, do I?
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WHICH PART OF AKIRA-CHAN DO YOU LIKE?
IS IT OKAY IF I ASK ONE QUESTION?
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...SORRY, BUT I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING I SHOULDN'T TELL YOU.
IF I'M GONNA SAY IT, I WANT TO TELL IT DIRECTLY TO HER.
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...I SEE.
YOU SEE, I
THOUGHT SHE'S A NICE GIRL, THOUGH A BIT TOO THICK-HEADED.
Ehehehe
I TRIED BRAGGING TO HER...

IT'S SOMETHING LIKE THAT FOR ME, TOO.

...WELL,

So what are we gonna do?
Wanna eat dinner?
Let's meet again at the Reunion
Okay Be careful on your way
I'm going then

...IT CAN'T BE HELPED, RIGHT...
I NO LONGER HAVE THE RIGHT TO LIKE NINOMIYA-KUN
AFTER HAVING THOSE THOUGHTS.
BESIDES
HE SERIOUSLY DOESN'T HAVE AN EYE FOR PEOPLE. HOW STUPID...!

IT CAN'T BE... HELPED...
WHERE DO YOU WANNA EAT~?
DINNER! LET'S EAT DINNER!
I'M HUNGRY!
WITH AKIRA-CHAN LIKE THAT,
IT'S WRONG TO SPEAK ILL OF MAKOTO, ISN'T IT?
NINOMIYA-KUN HAVING FEELINGS FOR HER...

Soooo cooold
mmmmm

For how many people is this cake?
WE ORDERED A HUGE CAKE AGAIN~
INCLUDING YOU AND MAKOTO, IT'S FOR FIVE PEOPLE.
Like every year.
AS EXPECTED, THE CAKE SHOP WAS FULL OF PEOPLE.
WE WAITED FOR QUITE A LONG TIME EVEN THOUGH WE ORDERED OUR CAKE IN ADVANCE~
...EVEN SO,
I SEE...
I HAVE TO KEEP MYSELF FREE NEXT YEAR AS WELL THEN.
NO, YOU SHOULD FIND A PARTNER FIRST.
Jeez!!!
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU TWO!! I CAN SAY THE SAME TO YOU!
EH...
OH, I'LL STOP BY THE CONVENIENCE STORE.
I WANT TO BUY COFFEE.
OKAY.

IF HE'S STILL OUT VERY LATE, HE MIGHT NOT GET TO EAT ANY CAKE OR CHICKEN.
MAKOTO...
AROUND WHAT TIME IS HE COMING HOME?
1月発売!!
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HUH, YOU'RE BY YOURSELF?
WHERE'S SIS?
Welcome
AH

YOU DIDN'T TAKE LONG. WELCOME BACK.
I'M HOME.

Seo-kun

AH
OH, RIGHT. IT SEEMS THAT AYAKA AND THE OTHER GROUP DATE MEMBERS ARE MEETING UP TODAY.
THEY DID MENTION SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
Vague
...WELL...
UHH...
MAKIHARA
STARTED DATING ONE OF THEM, RIGHT? WHICH ONE?
Nozomi
...WELL, YOU ONLY REMEMBER HIM, TOO, RIGHT?
URK!
...YOU ONLY REMEMBER SEO, DON'T YOU?
...AH
NO, WELL... SEO'S INTENSE IN A LOT OF WAYS, ISN'T HE...
Sayaka-chan
Akira-chan
IF YOU THINK OF IT THAT WAY, SEO-KUN'S SOMEWHAT AMAZING...